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## AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

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## Banks.

### HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.  
RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

#### COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.  
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Hon. W. KESWICK.

#### CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.  
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### LONDON BANKERS.—London and Country Bank.

#### HONGKONG.

##### INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits:—  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

#### LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,  
No. 1, Queen's Road East,  
Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

### ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

#### RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON FIXED DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " " 4 " " "  
" 12 " " 5 " " "

On Current Accounts at Rates which can be ascertained at their Office.

D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,  
Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

### CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, 2,800,000.  
RESERVE FUND, 2180,000.

BANKERS,  
THE BANK OF ENGLAND,  
THE CITY BANK,  
THE NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in Hongkong is situated in the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

#### RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

On Current Accounts, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits,  
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.  
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "  
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

85 and 90, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

## For Sale.

### FOR SALE.

FINE NEW FIGS, direct from Smyrna.  
Brazil and Barcelona NUTS.  
LETT'S DIARIES for 1879.  
Central and Pin Fire CARTRIDGE CASES.  
CLOTH and FELT GUN-WADS.  
American PARLOUR and COOKING STOVES.  
COAL SCUTTLES, new designs.  
FENDERS and FIRE IRONS.  
COCOA MATTING.  
TAPESTRY CARPET.  
DOOR MATS.  
California LAMBSWOOL BLANKETS.  
WHITNEY BLANKETS.  
REP and other TABLE COVERS, Fancy Patterns.  
TABLE-LINEN. FINE TURKISH TOWELS.  
LINEN SHEETING. PILLOW LINEN.  
GREEN and MARONE REP.  
FLANNEL SHIRTINGS.  
FANCY FLANNEL for Gents' Suits.  
NAVY BLUE SERGE.  
CLOTH TROWSER LENGTHS, Assorted Patterns.  
ALBUMS, in great variety.  
CRUMB BRUSHES and TRAYS.  
CHUBB'S CASH and DEED BOXES.  
VEYRON'S AUTOMATIC COFFEE MACHINES.  
COFFEE ROASTERS. TREMBLING CALL BELLS.  
IMPERIAL TRACING CLOTH.  
DESSERT, DINNER and BREAK-FAST SERVICES.  
TABLE GLASSWARE, of every Description.  
FOLDING CHAIRS.  
CIGARS, CIGARETTES.  
KELLY'S FAMOUS CUT TOBACCOES.  
HOUSEHOLD STORES, of every Description.  
CLARET in Casks. MALT. HOPS.  
CAUSTIC SODA, CANADIAN POTASH.  
CARBOLIC ACID. CHLORIDE OF LIME, &c., &c., &c.

### LANMERT, ATKINSON & CO.

Hongkong, November 16, 1878.

### CHRISTMAS CHRISTMAS!

ROSE & Co. have received, ex Argyle, Peruvia, and FRENCH and ENGLISH MALS.

#### A WELL-SELECTED STOCK.

LADIES' TRIMMED AND UNTRIMMED FRENCH BONNETS AND HATS.  
FRENCH FLOWERS & FEATHERS.  
FANCY TIES and SCARFS.  
PLAIN and FANCY LINEN and LACE SETS.  
NEW RIBBONS and LACES.  
SUNSHADES in all the Newest Patterns.  
FRENCH MANTLES and SHAWLS.  
DRESS MATERIALS in all the Leading Shades, with VELVETTES and TRIMMINGS to match.  
BLACK and COLOURED SILKS, New Shades.  
CHILDREN'S FANCY WOOL WRAPS, COSTUMES, and EMBROIDERED PE-LLISES, WOOL GAITERS, HOSIERY, &c.  
LADIES' and CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES.  
GENTLEMEN'S SHIRTS, COLLARS, HOSIERY, SCARFS and TIES, HAND-kerchiefs, TRAVELLING RUGS, &c.  
BED and TABLE LINEN.  
TAPESTRY and CRETONNE HANG-INGS, in all the New Shades and Designs.  
TABLE CLOTHS and COVERS, to match.  
EIDER DOWN QUILTS.

A Good Selection of MECHANICAL and other TOYS and GAMES, including ROCKING and VELOPEDE HORSES, CHILDREN'S FRENCH PERAMBULATORS.  
DOLLS' FRENCH PERAMBULATORS, LAWN TENNIS and CROQUET SETS, TENNIS MARKERS and BALLS.  
The OLEOPATRA, ROULETTE, MAGIC FISH, &c., &c. BONBON and CRACKERS, in Great Variety.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS and NEW YEARS' GIFTS for LADIES and GENTLEMEN, in the Latest Novelties and Inventions.

Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

### SALE.

HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "CYPRUS" AND HAS FOR SALE—  
NEW PATTERNS in CARPETS.  
WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds.  
TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS.  
HATS in every STYLE.  
DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

85 and 90, Queen's Road Central,  
Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

## For Sale.

### CHRISTMAS STORES

#### —AND— PRESENTS.

PLUM PUDDINGS.  
CHRISTMAS CAKES.  
MINCEMEAT.  
SMYRNA FIGS.  
ELVAS PLUMS.  
CRYSTALLISED FRUITS.  
DRAGEES.  
French and English BONBONS.  
CHOCOLATE for DESSERT.  
ASSORTED COSAQUES.  
TELEPHONE CRACKERS.  
CONFERENCE CRACKERS.  
AQUARIUM CRACKERS.  
French and English TOYS.  
MECHANICAL TOYS.  
DOLLS, in latest Parisian Costumes.  
SWIMMING DOLLS.  
DOLLS' PORTMANTEAUX.  
DANCING and WALKING DOLLS.  
PUNCH and JUDY SHOW.  
ROCKING HORSES.  
MUSICAL BOXES.  
TEA and DINNER SETS.  
NOAH'S ARKS.  
WHEELBARROWS.  
GUNS and SWORDS.  
SNADES and PAILS.  
BARREL ORGANS.  
FRENCH ALBUMS.  
LADIES' DRESSING CASES.  
GLOVE and HANDKERCHIEF BOXES.  
WORK BASKETS and BOXES.  
LADIES' COMPANIONS.  
PHOTOGRAPH FRAMES.  
CARD RECEIVERS.  
STATUETTES.  
Bohemian FLOWER VASES.  
Pharost WINDING CABINETS.  
SCENT CASES in Velvet and Crystal.  
RUSSIA POCKET BOOKS.  
MOROCCO CIGAR CASES.  
Electro-Plated SCISSORS in Cases.  
BIBLES.  
PAINT BOXES, Fitted.  
TOILET BOTTLES and VASES.  
ANEROIDS.  
CROCODILE SCENT CASES.  
CIGAR BOXES.  
WRITING DESKS.  
MEERSCHAUM PIPES.  
LATEST DESIGNS in Electro-Plated WARE.  
MARK TWAIN'S SCRAP BOOKS.  
PARTAGA'S HAVANA CIGARS.  
&c., &c., &c.

### LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, November 29, 1878.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received in-structions from Messrs BIRLEY & Co. to sell by Public Auction, by Order of the Mortgagees, on or about the 20TH JANUARY, 1879, the 1st Class

### IRON SCREW STEAMSHIP

"A M E R I C A,"

of 563 Tons Net Register, Built in 1873 by Messrs J. and R. SWAN, of Dumbarton, and Engine by Messrs. TON and McGREGOR, of Glasgow, with Compound Vertical Direct-Acting Surface-Condensing Engines of 90 Horse-Power (nominal), working up to 450 H.P. effectual; Consumption of Coal (Cardiff), about 8 Tons; Speed, about 8 Knots; Capacity of Bunkers, 180 Tons; Diameter of Cylinders, 25 and 48 inches; Boiler Multitubular; Length 210 feet 3 in.; Breadth, extreme, 26 feet 7 in.; Depth of Hold, Tonnage Deck to Ceiling, 20 feet 9 1/2 in.; Spar Deck, Deck to Deck, 6 feet 7 in.; Draft, light, 9 feet; loaded, 17 feet; D. V. Capacity, including Bunkers, 1,100 Tons, or 16,500 Pounds exclusive of Bunkers; Class, Lloyd's 90 A1; Water Ballast; "Tween Decks laid; 3 Steam Winches, and HARRIS'S Patent Windlass; Saloon amidships for 10 Cabin Passengers and Cabin aft for 3. Boilers retubed in Hongkong in June, and the Hull and Machinery now in first-class order.

Spare Engine Gear and Coal to be SOLD SEPARATELY.

For further Particulars, apply to Messrs. BIRLEY & Co., or the AUCTIONEERS, where Inventory and Plan of the Vessel can be seen.

TERMS OF SALE.—Half Cash on fall of the hammer. The Balance on completion of Transfer, expenses of which are to be borne by the Purchaser. The Ship and Inventory, with all faults and errors of description, to be at the Purchaser's risk at fall of the hammer.

HUGHES & LEGGE,  
Auctioneers.

Hongkong, November 18, 1878. ja20

## Intimations.

### DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned and is Now Ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, AUBURN ROAD.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

## NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of October, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his Patients at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 23, 1878.

## Intimations.

### REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE undermentioned B A N K S will Close for Public Business at 12 o'clock Noon TO-MORROW, the 24th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. CROMBIE, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," E. SCHWEBELIN, Actg. Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.," R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. de24

## NOTICE.

G. FALCONER & Co. beg to announce that, during DECEMBER and JANUARY Next, they will offer their Large and Magnificent Stock of JEWELLERY, WATCHES, CLOCKS, SILVER and ELECTRO-PLATE, &c., &c., Considerably under the Usual Prices.

Shortly expected from England, an Elegant Assortment of SILVER COUPS, suitable for REGATTA or RACE MEETINGS.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878. fel

### HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION of the SOCIETY will take place about the middle of FEBRUARY next.

The Days of Exhibition will be advertised at an early date.

W. M. B. ARTHUR,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 18, 1878.

### THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 27th Inst. to the 31st Instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. BRADLEE SMITH,  
General Agent, pro tem.

Hongkong, December 18, 1878.

### HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 27th Inst. to the 31st Proximo, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON,  
Manager.

Hongkong, December 16, 1878. ja3

## Intimations.

### G. FALCONER & Co.,

WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS, AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

45, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, December 20, 1878. ja20

### W. KERR TAYLOR,

HOUSE AND SHIP PAINTER, DECORATOR.

GLASS EMBOSING and GILDING.  
No. 3, Lyndhurst Terrace, HONGKONG.

December 9, 1878. ja0

### MOORE & Co.,

"VARIETY STORE,"  
NEWS AGENTS and TOBACCONISTS.

No. 42, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

### WONG CHIU,

PHOTOGRAPHER.

No. 84, Queen's Road, Hongkong (Opposite the P. & O. Co.)

CHINESE VIEWS  
FOR SALE AT MODERATE PRICE,  
December 11, 1878. ja11

### BRITISH BARK "DAVINA,"

Captain SCOTT.

TENDERS will be Received at the Office of the Undersigned up to Noon of the 24th Instant, for DOCKING the above Vessel, and also for REMETALLING her if required.

For Particulars, apply to the Captain on Board, or to ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 21, 1878. de24

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

#### FOR YOKOHAMA & KOBE.

The Steamship "GLENGYLE,"  
Captain QUARTLEY, will leave for the above Ports at Noon, on TUESDAY, the 24th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 20, 1878. de24

#### FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "DIAMANTE,"  
Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on TUESDAY, the 24th Inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 21, 1878. de24

#### FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and taking through Cargo and Passengers for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "SOMERSET,"  
Captain POOLEY, will be despatched as above on the 28th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, December 17, 1878. de23

#### AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.

Taking Cargo and Passengers for all Australasian and New Zealand Ports, TASMANIA, NEW CALEDONIA & FIJI.

The Chartered Steamship "ZAMBOANGA,"  
will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.

Hongkong, December 17, 1878. de23

## NOTICE.

### COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "IRAOUADY,"  
Commandant GAUVAIN, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

J. HENNEQUIN,  
Actg. Agent.

Hongkong, December 19, 1878.

## NOTICE.

### COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "VOLGA,"  
Commandant ROLLAND, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.

J. HENNEQUIN,  
Actg. Agent.

Hongkong, December 19, 1878.

## Shipping.

### Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.  
The 3/3 L. 1. 1. Swedish Bark "ALMA,"  
Captain O. OHLSSON, will be despatched as above on or before the 10th January, 1879.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, December 12, 1878.

### FOR MELBOURNE & DUNEDIN (N.Z.)

The British Barque "HOTSPUR,"  
Capt. SHAW, will have a quick despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, November 11, 1878.

### FOR HONOLULU.

The 4 1 American Bark "CRUSADER,"  
Captain INGRAM, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 16, 1878. de30

### FOR NEW YORK.

The 4 1 American Bark "S. R. BEARSS,"  
Captain OAKES, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 16, 1878. de30

### FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 4 1 British Ship "MIN-Y-DOY,"  
Captain LESLIE, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

### FOR NEW YORK.

The 4 1 British Bark "MONETA,"  
Capt. BISSET, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.



## Intimations.

## OFFICE OF THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in consequence of Messrs. OLYMPT & Co. having suspended payment, the Board of Directors of the above Company, at a SPECIAL MEETING held at the Head Office TO-DAY, the 9th Instant, Appointed Mr. J. BRADLEY SMITH as General Agent, pro tem, by whom all business of the said Company will be transacted.

To Confirm the Action of the Board of Directors with Reference to the Appointment of Mr. J. BRADLEY SMITH as General Agent of the Company, an Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 13th January, 1879, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, when an audited Statement of the Affairs of the Company will be submitted.

By Order of the Board,  
WM. REINERS,  
Chairman.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja18

## IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAO JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased.

IT is hereby notified that Probate of the last Will and Testament of JOAO JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased, was granted to the undersigned on the 25th day of November, 1878.

(Signed) J. H. DOS REMEDIOS,  
D. A. DOS REMEDIOS,  
M. C. DOS REMEDIOS,  
A. A. DOS REMEDIOS,  
Hongkong, December 14, 1878. ja14

## NOTICE.

## FOUNDRY AND DOCK, FOR SALE OR TO BE LET.

TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the absolute PURCHASE or LEASE for One, Two or Three Years of all that VALUABLE PROPERTY known as the CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S FOUNDRY, situated at Hongkong, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, comprising several Rows of GODOWNS, and DWELLING HOUSES for the Staff, and several Rows of WORKSHOPS, with all TOOLS, &c., complete, and covering an Area of about 2½ acres. The Foundry commands a fine River Frontage of about 800 feet long, and is the most complete for the Building and Repairing of Ships in China.

Applicants are requested to state the Terms upon which they will take the above Property.

SIMILAR TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the COMPANY'S DOCK, situated at Pootung, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, which Dock measures 330 feet by 78 feet, Dock Entrance 72 feet, River Frontage about 1,200 feet, and covering an Area of about 4 English acres, with Two DWELLING HOUSES, a BLASTING SHOP, and CARPENTERS SHED attached.

In case of a Sale, one half of the Purchase Money can remain on mortgage of the Property assigned, and in the case of a Lease, substantial security must be given for the due fulfilment of the same by the Lessee. The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

For further Particulars, apply to  
CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM  
NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
Hankow Road,  
SHANGHAI.

December 5, 1878. ja2

## CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC!

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE.

WHEREAS it has been known to the Proprietors of Dr. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE that a worthless imitation, bearing a similar name, is exported to India, China, &c., and endeavored to be foisted on purchasers as equal in efficacy to Dr. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE, they feel it due to the public to specially caution them against this compound and request their most careful attention to the following distinctive characteristics of Dr. BRIGHT'S (the only genuine) Phosphodyne.

1st.—That Dr. BRIGHT'S Phosphodyne is sold only in cases.  
2nd.—The words "Dr. BRIGHT'S Phosphodyne" are clearly blown in each bottle.  
3rd.—The Registered Trade Mark and Signature of Patentes are printed on the label of every case.  
4th.—Directions for use in all the following languages are enclosed in each case—English, French, German, Italian, Dutch, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Danish, Turkish, Persian, Hindostani, Madrasse, Bengalee, Chinese, and Japanese.

Without which none can POSSIBLY be Genuine.

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

Is the Only Reliable Remedy for NERVOUS and LIVER COMPLAINTS AND ALL

FUNCTIONAL DERANGEMENTS.

DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is distinguished by the Affecatory and the Efflu, extensively used in the Army and Navy, and strongly recommended by the leading Medical Practitioners.

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

Is sold by all Chemists and Patent Medicine Vendors throughout the Globe.

In India, China, &c., DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE is generally sold at an advance on the English Price.

The high Estimation in which Phosphodyne is held is unquestionably due to its administration, in this form: Therefore

BEWARE

## DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE

And do not be persuaded to take any Useless and Possibly Dangerous Imitation.

## CAUTION TO MEDICINE VENDORS.

The Trade Mark, Label, &c., of DR. BRIGHT'S PHOSPHODYNE are duly entered at Stationers' Hall, London, and are also registered in the Chief Cities of the World.

Chemists and Druggists are hereby warned that legal proceedings will be immediately instituted by the Authorised Agents, against any person or persons selling fraudulent imitations of DR. BRIGHT'S (the only genuine) PHOSPHODYNE, from this date, 1st October, 1878.

## Intimations.

## VICTORIA REGATTA TWENTY-THIRD MEETING.

SECOND DAY, TUESDAY, 24th DECEMBER, 1878.

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.—For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Second Race on first day and Outrigger Boats excluded.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.—For House Boats. Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Winner of Sixth Race on first day excluded. Time for Oars, 6 seconds per Oar.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.—"Members' Cup" presented by Members of the Victoria Recreation Club—for Four-Oared Canton Cutters. Distance One mile and a-half. Entrance \$10. Winner of "The Chairman's Cup" excluded.

FOURTH RACE.—2.30 P.M.—For Men-of-War Cutters. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; second, \$5. No time allowed for Oars.

FIFTH RACE.—3 P.M.—Senior Soula. Cup presented by the Paresse Community. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$5. Winner of the "Ladies' Purse" excluded.

SIXTH RACE.—3.30 P.M.—For Officers of H.M.S. Iron Duke against Fleet in harbor. Cup presented by the Members of the Hongkong Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

SEVENTH RACE.—4 P.M.—"American Cup" open to all Members and Honorary Members of the Victoria Recreation Club, to be rowed in Canton Fours. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

SAILING RACE.—For all open Boats, Chinese excluded. Entrance \$2. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

YACHT RACE.—For Yachts over 20 tons. Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

YACHT RACE.—For Yachts not exceeding 12 tons. Entrance \$3. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Prize presented by the Hongkong Yacht Club.

DUDLEY C. TRAVERS,  
Hon. Secretary, Victoria Recreation Club,  
Hongkong, December 17, 1878. de24

## HONGKONG WHARF &amp; GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED ON STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the Wharf, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,  
Proprietors,  
Hongkong, November 20, 1878. my29

## SUBMARINE DIVING.

CAPTAIN W. CLARK has all the Necessary Appliances for SALVING OPERATIONS, and is prepared to undertake Contracts to work at Wrecks to the Depth of 20 Fathoms.

For particulars as to terms, &c., apply to  
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja9

## HUTCHINGS

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

SHOP—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.  
Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

## AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,

by appointment, to  
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, H. E. ADMIRAL ALFRED P. RYDER, and to H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

UNDER the Management of D. K. GRIFFITH, recently of the Woodbury Co. Enlargements are now being made in PERMANENT PIGMENT, Guaranteed to be indestructible by time or climate and at Prices very little more than were charged for the old perishable Silver Prints.

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ALL STYLES OF PHOTOGRAPHY Taken—DAILY at Moderate Charges.  
STUDIO, QUEEN'S ROAD,  
Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel.  
Hongkong, December 18, 1878.

## NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glengyle* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods—with the exception of Opium—are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 o'clock on Saturday, the 21st Instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 27th Instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.  
Hongkong, December 20, 1878. de27

## COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
L. RENNEQUIN,  
Actg. Agent,  
Ex "Aldridge."  
T. H. Tan Sive, a pgs. Metal, from Batavia.  
Ex "Pel Ho."  
N M K (in diamond) 54/5 Imp. Aldridge  
V S C Salmon & Co., from London, 2 cases Millinery.  
Hongkong, December 5, 1878.

## Entertainment.

## THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

M. R. H. VERNON begs to announce that he will shortly take his

FAREWELL BENEFIT, on which occasion he will be assisted by the AMATEUR DRAMATIC CORPS, who have kindly given their valuable services.

## COMEDY AND OPERA

FOR MR. H. VERNON'S FAREWELL BENEFIT.

Particulars shortly.

Hongkong, December 16, 1878.

## To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"

Captain Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 25th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. de25

## FOR SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

The Norwegian Steamer "HAKON ADLSTEN,"

Capt. BENZ, will leave here for the above Ports, and will leave this on FRIDAY, the 27th Instant, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HOP KEE.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. de27

## FOR AMOY.

The Steamship "ESMERALDA,"

Capt. CULLER, shortly due, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878.

## OCIDENTAL &amp; ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship "GALLIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godowns, at West Point, whence and/or from Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained, on countersignature of Bills of Lading.

Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. B. EMORY,  
Agent.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. de30

## CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

THE Undersigned BANKS will be Closed on WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY, the 25th and 26th Instant; and on WEDNESDAY, the 1st January, 1879.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. CROMBIE, Manager.  
For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," H. H. NELSON, Manager.  
For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.  
For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," E. SCHWELIN, Actg. Agent.  
For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.  
For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.," R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.  
Hongkong, December 23, 1878. ja1

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the Hon. J. M. PRICE, to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 6th January, 1879, at 2 o'clock p.m. (owing to change of Residence), at his residence, West Hermitage, Cairns Road—

THE WHOLE of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising: Drawing, Dining, Bed, and Library, Rooms' Furniture, English-made Walnut Cretone Covered Drawing-room Suite.

French-made Marble-top Side Table, Card Tables and Plate Glass Cabinets, Gilt Framed Chimney Glass, Chromolithographs, Water Colors, Engravings, Marble Mantel-piece Clock, Italian Brackets and Ornaments.

A Valuable Collection of Rare Minerals and Shells.

English-made Mahogany Extension Dining Table and Sideboard, Dining-room Chairs, Whist-table, Dining, Dessert, and Breakfast Sets, Glassware, Plated-ware and Table Linen.

Electric Observatory Clock and Thermometers.

Iron Bedstead, Wardrobes, Chest of Drawers, English-made Morocco Covered Couch, Mahogany Marble-top Washstand, Teak Writing Table, Glass Book Cases.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view on and after Saturday, the 4th January.

Terms of Sale.—As customary.  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. ja5

## Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debts contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

PORTSMOUTH, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A. Morrison.—Meyer & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gonyo.—Landstein & Co.

NAPIER, British barque, Capt. W. L. Bryan.—Messageries Maritimes.

TARWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jensen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Chas. H. Nelson.—Captain.

S. R. BEARER, American barque, Capt. A. E. Oakes.—Russell & Co.

PHAZTON, British barque, Captain H. School.—Wieler & Co.

ORIGALIER, British barque, Captain John Le Couder.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PRINCE ARTHUR, British barque, Capt. R. Willis.—Chinese.

KVIG, Norwegian barque, Captain Ole Larsen.—Meyer & Co.

MAID OF JUDAH, British barque, Capt. Alfred W. Webb.—Rosario & Co.

DAVINA, British barque, Captain Geo. Scott.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

Dec. 21, *My. H. M. gun vessel*, 584, McNeil, Singapore Nov. 11, via Labuan, Sulu, and Manila Dec. 16.

Dec. 21, *Gaelic*, British steamer, 1712, W. H. Kidley, San Francisco Nov. 16, and Yokohama Dec. 14, Treasure (\$608,601.25) and General.—O. & S. S. Co.

Dec. 22, *Douglas*, British steamer, 864, M. Young, Fochow Dec. 19, Amoy 20, and Swatow 21, General.—DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.

Dec. 22, *Diamond*, British steamer, 519, E. Thebaud, Amoy Dec. 21, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

Dec. 22, *Burmese*, British steamer, 1268, James Luck, London Oct. 23, via ports of call, and Singapore Dec. 11, General.—MELANES & Co.

Dec. 22, *Paradise*, German barque, 346, W. Thuro, Swatow Dec. 21, Ballast.—SIEGISMUND & Co.

Dec. 22, *Stentor*, British steamer, 1304, Kirkpatrick, Liverpool Oct. 23, via ports of call, and Singapore Dec. 14, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Dec. 22, *An-lan*, Chinese R. C., from Canton.

Dec. 23, *Argyll*, British steamer, 1271, D. Scott, Kobe Dec. 17, General.—JANDRE, MATTHEW & Co.

Dec. 23, *Yangtze*, British steamer, 782, Schultes, Ningpo Dec. 20, General.—SIEGISMUND & Co.

Dec. 23, *Yungching*, Chinese steamer, 766, Wallace, Shanghai Dec. 19, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

## DEPARTURES.

Dec. 22, *Mendocino*, for London, &c.

22, *Yesso*, for Coast Ports.

22, *Firth of Forth*, for Rangoon.

22, *Tartar*, for Quinhon.

22, *Hylton Castle*, for Fuyau.

22, *An-lan*, Chl. R. C., for Hothow.

22, *Yungching*, for Canton.

22, *Yangtze*, for Canton.

## CLEARED.

Hansa, for Tourn.

Douglas, for Coast Ports.

Yotting, for Swatow.

Diamond, for Manila.

Glengyle, for Yokohama.

Dartmouth, for Demerara.

Marco Polo, for Guam.

Bua Oao, for Bangkok.

Don Quixote, for Manila.

Burmese, for Yokohama.

Stentor, for Shanghai.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per *Gaelic*, from San Francisco, &c., Miss Dr. C. H. Daniels, Miss May Clark, Mrs. C. O. Cohn, 650 Chinese, 2 Japanese, and 5 British Seamen.

Per *Douglas*, from Coast Ports, Rev. Mr. Campbell, Messrs Krohn, Pim, Fenwick, Ebbell, and Tod, 110 Chinese, and 1 European deck.

Per *Burmese*, from London; Mrs. Walcott, for Hongkong; Mr. Anson (for Yokohama) and 110 Chinese from Straits.

Per *Argyll*, from Kobe, Captain Hulla, 6 Europeans, and 7 Chinese.

Per *Yungching*, from Shanghai, Mr. Newberry, and 101 Chinese deck.

Per *Diamond*, from Amoy, 80 Chinese.

Per *Stentor*, from Straits, 244 Chinese.

Per *Yangtze*, from Ningpo, 49 Chinese.

## DEPARTED.

Per *Yesso*, for Taiwan; Dr. P. Anderson (for Fochow), Mr. Greig (for Swatow), Miss Dr. C. H. Daniels.

Per *Tartar*, for Quinhon, 10 Chinese.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The O. & S. S. *Gaelic*, Capt. W. H. Kidley, left San Francisco at noon on the 16th Nov., encountered heavy W. and N.W. gales with high sea, from the time of leaving until arrival at Yokohama at 4 p.m. Dec. at 5 p.m. Left Yokohama at 4 p.m. on the 14th, had fresh Westerly winds on the Japan Coast, calms thence to Oakes, and light monsoon down the sea, arriving here at 6 p.m. on the 21st.

The British steamer *Douglas* reports: Left Fochow (Thursday) Dec. 19th, Amoy 20th, and Swatow 21st. Had moderate monsoon and cloudy to Swatow, and from there fresh monsoon and overcast. Leaving Swatow saw a steamer standing into Hope Bay. In Fochow; H. M. S. *Sheldrake*. In Amoy; str. *Glengyle*, Russian str. *Courier*, and *Coral* H. M. S. *East*; and German man-of-war *Fryga*. In Swatow; str. *Chibbi* and *Maharajah*, and Danish str. *Asta* (leaving). Passed str. *Hasting* bound up River Min, str. *Taitan* leaving Amoy, str. *Fist* and a Hol's steamer off Tamto.

The British steamer *Diamond* reports: Left Amoy at 6 a.m. Dec. 21st, experienced moderate monsoon and hazy weather throughout. Passed a steamer bound North on the night of 21st.

The British steamer *Stentor* reports: Strong N.E. winds and heavy head sea throughout the passage.

The British steamer *Argyll* reports: Moderate Westerly winds from Kobe to

## Formosa, from thence strong N.E. monsoon to port.



with her usual spirit and success. Many of her previous roles have, however, suited her powers much better. As we anticipated, Miss Florence Howe did not fail to please the audience with her singing and finished acting. If we mistake not this artist will prove a great favourite in Shanghai, to which place the Company shortly proceed. Her singing on Saturday evening was scarcely up to its usual standard. Miss B. Draeger made a very good "Twinkle Fin," and more may be said of Mr. J. Rollings as one of the "Engleclers." Mr. Rollings, in fact, obtained an encore in one portion of his performance. The other characters, especially that taken by Mr. Hageman, were all pretty well played. Miss Agnes Draeger again presided at the piano with her customary ability. We would suggest, however, either that the top be kept on the instrument, or that it be played a little softer, as the piano being out in the theatre and the vocalists occasionally far back on the stage, their singing is now and then almost drowned by the piano.

The Japan Gazette states that Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. have commenced proceedings against the Mitsui Bishi Company to recover the value of certain coals received by the Company from the Takashima Mine since the date of the notice given in the newspapers on the 13th November.

The following telegrams are from the San Francisco papers brought by the O. & U. steamship *Gaile*.

London, Nov. 14.—It is reported that intelligence has been received that a further outbreak by the Kaffirs is imminent. The rebel armies are massed in great strength under Gatwayo, King of Zulul. The British forces on the frontier are in danger of being overwhelmed, unless promptly reinforced.

London, Nov. 15.—Wilhelm Pustan & Co., of Hamburg, one of the largest houses in the China trade, have failed. Downer & Co., London merchants, who suspended Wednesday last, were their agents here.

RETURN of Visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending December 22nd 1878:—

	European.	Chinese.
Monday, Dec. 16th,	72	578
Tuesday, 17th,	74	482
Wednesday, 18th,	73	512
Thursday, 19th,	63	386
Friday, 20th,	72	382
Saturday, 21st,	74	288
Sunday, 22nd,	75	287
Totals,	508	2,878
Grand total, 2,881.		

## TELEGRAMS.

Most of the following Reuters' telegrams, taken from *Strait Times*, have not yet been published here:—

London, Dec. 10.—The Secretary of State for India introduced a motion for India to defray the expenses of the war in Afghanistan, and stated that England's assistance was not required considering that the Indian surplus will be £200,000 after paying the expenses of the war. He also said that England must be paramount in Kabul.

Mr. Whitbread introduced a motion condemning a desultory debate.

Both Houses then adjourned.

London, Dec. 11.—The House of Lords agreed to the motion of the Secretary of State for India by 201 against 65 votes.

In the course of the debate the First Lord of the Treasury (Premier) declared that a rectification of frontier must be the result of the war, and that England had now friendly relations with Russia whose explanations relative to the mission to Kabul were satisfactory.

The House of Commons agreed to the adjournment of the debate till Thursday.

The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, in reply to a question, said that within a few days after the Northern Borneo Company has made a statement of its own, Government would come to a decision.

The Chamber of Deputies has negatived a vote of confidence in the Ministry.

The Ministry has resigned in consequence of the defeat in the Chambers.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1878.

Sir,—Can you tell me how or why it is that the Governor and the Legislative Council sent a message of condolence to Her Majesty the Queen, worded as if coming from themselves alone, and have completely ignored the entire community, which is every bit as loyal, though perhaps not in the habit of bumping the fact abroad as frequently as His Excellency seems to do?

I am, Sir,  
Yours faithfully,  
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A contemporary says:—"Young" Charles Dickens, though middle-aged and the father of a large family—he is called "young" to distinguish him from his celebrated uncle—has undertaken, it is announced, a "Life and Letters" of another Charles, poor Matthews, who lately died in his old age. In spite of his parentage and his close connection with literature in the working editor, as well as proprietor of *All the Year Round*, young Charles Dickens has never written a book, and this will therefore be his first one.

## VICTORIA REGATTA.

## TWENTY-THIRD MEETING.

Patron:—His Excellency JOHN PORN HENNESSY, C.M.G.  
Vice-Patrons:—His Excellency Major-General DOROVAN, and Commodore WATSON, R.N.

Stewards:—Hon. W. KESWICK, H. B. GIBB, Esq., H. HOPKINS, Esq., A. MOYNE, Esq., Colonel STUART, R.E., Colonel JAGO, 74th Highlanders, and G. B. EMMOTT, Esq.  
Committee:—T. JACKSON, Esq. (Chairman), H. E. WOODHOUSE, Esq., E. L. WOODIN, Esq., E. BRANT, Esq., W. HYNES, Esq., DR. CLOUTH, E. GEORGE, Esq., W. VON BOBERG, Esq., A. P. MOYNE, Esq., D. GRILLES, Esq., L. E. GIBB, Esq., 74th Highlanders, and DUDLEY C. TRAVERS, Esq. (Hon. Secretary).

Judge:—J. P. MOYNE, R.N.  
Judge of Sailing Races:—Capt. R. H. CARRIS.

Umpires and Starters:—Rowing, W. HYNES, Esq. Yachts, E. BRANT, Esq. Open Sailing Boats, E. BURNIE, Esq.

## FIRST DAY.

MONDAY, 23rd DECEMBER, 1878.

The Annual Regatta was held to-day, under the most favourable auspices. Considering the weather of yesterday, it must be matter for congratulation that the weather to-day was everything that could be desired—a happy combination of conditions favourable for good sport in pulling as well as sailing races. The day was clear and bright, while a fine breeze, lasting the whole afternoon, made the sailing competitions quite a feature in the day's amusement. There was, it must be admitted, a lack of bunting in the Harbour; which would seem to imply that the annual aquatic display has lost in interest of late years; this want, however, may be made up for by to-morrow's display. The P. & O. S.S. *Malacca* (Capt. Smith), kindly lent for the occasion by the Company, was the flagship of the V. R. C., and everything was, as usual, made as pleasant on board for the guests as attention and civility could make it. H. E. the Governor, accompanied by Mrs. Hennessy, Mr. E. J. Reed, M. P. and party, visited the Flagship during the afternoon. There were also present—General and Mrs. Donovan, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Snowden, Colonels Jago, Stuart, and Hall, Commodore Watson, Mr. T. Jackson (Chairman), and a large number of ladies and gentlemen. The usual number of peripatetics moved round in steam-launches, gigs and other craft, although there did not appear to be much trouble in keeping the courses clear.

Although, as we have said, the conditions of the meeting were favourable, it must be admitted, after two or three years' trial, that the old course for pulling races "there and back" would be productive of more interest to the spectators than the present straight course. It might also be mentioned that the Secretary—always a hard-worked official—should be selected from those whose energies are not overtaxed and who is not overweighed generally with duties too numerous to mention. Mr. Travers did more than any one man could be expected to do, who took part personally in the races; but he ought to have had more assistance in perfecting the arrangements generally.

The day was perfect for the yachts, and nearly so for the pulling boats; but it was subject for general regret that an accident prevented Mr. D. C. Travers from pulling in the sculling race for the Ladies' Purse. This event therefore resolved itself into a walk over for Mr. Woodin—one of the most energetic and persistent supporters of aquatic sports whom the Colony has ever known. In presenting the purse to the fortunate winner, Miss Hall said she had been honoured by the ladies of Hongkong to hand it to Mr. Woodin. She was aware of Mr. Woodin's skill in rowing, but she was sorry that there had not been more competitors so as to have more fully tested it. Mr. Woodin, in reply, said he was very happy to receive the purse, and joined with Miss Hall in her regrets that more junior members had not come forward.

No small amusement was created by a punt, which, rigged up as a caricature of H.M.S. *Vigilant*, was paddled around by a "nigger" crew of four nondescripts. This craft was fitted with an improvised black canvas ram, two yellow funnels and accompaniments of smoke and gauges; while the crew of Uncle Sam were dressed in the most fantastic "rigs" that could possibly be conceived.

The following are the results of the races:—

FIRST RACE.—1 P.M.—Junior Sculls. For Six in Pair Sculling Boats. Entrance \$5. Distance One Mile. Prize, "Brokers' Cup." Open to any one who has never won a Sculling Race in China and Japan.

Station No. 1.—Lieut. Coker, R.N., *Lady Goughly*, Blue and White.  
Station No. 2.—Mr. D. C. Travers, *Yacht*, Red and White.

Mr. S. Hughes came forward as a post entry in *Kangoon*, and Mr. D. C. Travers did not start. The start was effected in good order, but the water was too lumpy and the scullers had a bad time of it. Hughes made a somewhat wild course, and being that he was hopelessly out of the race gave up and was picked up boat and all

by a steam-launch. Coker thus had it all his own way.

*Lady Goughly*, (Coker) 1  
Time, not taken.

SECOND RACE.—1.30 P.M.—For Gigs pulled by European Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of any Regiment or Corps in Garrison, or by European Members of the Police Force. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Outrigged Boats excluded.

Station No. 1.—Royal Artillery, *Gunner*, Blue.  
Station No. 2.—Royal Artillery, *Swallow*, Blue with Red Star.  
Station No. 3.—74th Highlanders, *The Boat*, White and Blue.  
Station No. 4.—Police, *Cameronian*, Red Pennant with Blue Cross.

There were four entries and all faced the starter. *Cameronian* who was undoubtedly the favorite had the inside place. An excellent start was effected, and for the first hundred yards the boats kept well in line. The Artillery boats (*Gunner* and *Swallow*) had only four oars each, whilst the *Boat* and *Cameronian* had six. The *Boat* pulled a good clean stroke at starting and looked like meaning business, but the *Cameronians* were evidently determined upon asserting themselves. Bending to their oars in a manner which could not be mistaken, and pulling a steady but much shorter and more rapid stroke, they soon crept ahead and passing *Yowmahtes* were leading by nearly two lengths. *Gunner* and *Swallow* were likewise well to the fore, their crews pulling splendidly, but the former was kept too far out and she thus lost ground; *Cameronian* meanwhile being steered splendidly continued to distance her adversaries, pulling steadily about 42 strokes per minute; and she passed the judge's boat, leading by several lengths easily, *Swallow* being second and *Gunner* third.

*Cameronian*, 1  
*Swallow*, 2  
*Gunner*, 3  
Time, not taken.

THIRD RACE.—2 P.M.—The "Chairman's Cup," for Four-Oared Canton Outriggers. Distance One mile and a-half. Entrance \$10.

Station No. 1.—*Nova*, Magenta and Black.  
Bow, Mr. M. Falconer, ..... 9th. 12th.  
No. 2, Mr. A. C. Reddie, ..... 10th. 7th.  
No. 3, Mr. L. B. Friend, ..... 11th. 10th.  
Stroke, Mr. E. L. Woodin, ..... 12th. 7th.  
Cox, Chinaman, ..... 9th. 10th.

Station No. 2.—*Thistle*, Blue and White.  
Bow, Mr. J. H. Townsend, ..... 9th. 8th.  
No. 2, Mr. D. C. Travers, ..... 11th. 10th.  
No. 3, Mr. F. G. Davidson, ..... 11th. 10th.  
Stroke, Lieut. Coker, R.N., ..... 12th. 10th.  
Cox, Mr. A. J. Lewis, ..... 8th. 10th.

Station No. 3.—*Victoria*.  
Bow, Mr. R. D. Trill, ..... 9th. 12th.  
No. 2, Mr. D. C. Travers, ..... 9th. 8th.  
No. 3, Mr. W. Murphy, ..... 12th. 7th.  
Stroke, Mr. P. Oswald, ..... 12th. 7th.  
Cox, Mr. W. Browne, ..... 9th. 6th.

This was a very pretty race; the boats started well in line, *Victoria* having inside place. *Nova's* crew were pulling 36 strokes per minute at starting and took the lead the first few yards. *Thistle* was propelled steadily at the rate of 34 strokes per minute, and this speed was maintained with but slight variations throughout. *Victoria* was pulled at the rate of 32 strokes, and flagged behind. *Nova's* stroke was lessened shortly after starting to 32, but *Thistle's* crew stuck to 34. Nearing the winning mark *Nova* and *Thistle* were close together, but the former was pressed too late, *Thistle* passing the Judge's launch a winner by scarcely a length.

Time, 12 min. 19 sec.

FOURTH RACE.—2.30 P.M.—For Men-of-War Gigs and Whalers. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. No time allowed for Oars.

Station No. 1.—H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel's* 1st Whaler.  
Station No. 2.—H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel's* 2nd Whaler.  
Station No. 3.—H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel's* 1st Cutter.  
Station No. 4.—H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel's* 3rd Whaler.  
Station No. 5.—H.M.S. *Mosquito's* Cutter, Red and Black.  
Station No. 6.—H. M. S. *Maggie's* 1st Whaler, Black and White.  
Station No. 7.—H. M. S. *Vigilant's* 2nd Whaler.  
Station No. 8.—H. M. S. *Kestrel's* Cutter (Post Entry).

*Kestrel* was a post entry. Only six boats faced the starter. *Victor Emanuel's* whaler had it all her own way from the first, and won easily by any distance, *Maggie's* whaler being second, with *Vigilant's* 2nd whaler third. The winning boat was manned by Chinese, and had eight oars, whilst the others with one exception had only six each. The *Celestials* pulled a steady stroke, (32 per minute); the second boat pulled 44 strokes per minute.

Time, 9 min. 43 sec.

FIFTH RACE.—3 P.M.—"Ladies' Purse" For Single Pair Sculling Boats. Round Stake Boat and back to Flag Ship. Entrance \$5.

Station No. 1.—Mr. E. L. Woodin, *Boat*, Magenta and Black.  
Station No. 2.—Lieut. Coker, R.N., *Nova*, Blue and White.  
Station No. 3.—Mr. D. C. Travers, *Lady Goughly*, White and Red.

Only two faced the starter, viz. Woodin and Travers. *Lady Goughly*, (the boat Travers should have rowed), had her stroke broken before starting, and he had there-

fore to resort to *Kangoon*. *Eva* looked a somewhat formidable adversary, and it was apparently rather as a forlorn hope that Travers came forward; at all events, he gave up after pulling about 400 yards and left Woodin to simply cover the course.

*Eva*, 1  
Time not taken.

SIXTH RACE.—3.30 P.M.—For House Boats. Gigs pulled by Chinamen. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$1. First Prize, \$15; Second, \$5. Time for Oars, 6 seconds per Oar.

Station No. 1.—*Commissariat* Boat, Blue and White, Blue and White Cross.  
Station No. 2.—74th Highlanders' Boat, *The Boat*, White and Blue.  
Station No. 3.—Police Boat, *Cameronian*, Red Pennant with Blue Cross.

The *Cameronians* having shown her capabilities in the second race, it remained to be seen whether a change of crews would prove disastrous. She got off with a lead, after pulling a few yards, and increased it considerably. *Commissariat* and *The Boat* kept well in line for the greater part of the distance, and by the time three quarters of the distance had been covered they were pressing hard after the leader, but the *Cameronians* were not to be ousted, and won a good race by about four lengths, *Commissariat* being second.

*Cameronian*, 1  
*Commissariat*, 2

SEVENTH RACE.—4 P.M.—International Race. "Challenge Cup" presented by the Merchants of Hongkong—for Four Oared Canton Outriggers. To be won two consecutive years before being held. Distance One Mile. Entrance \$10.

Station No. 1.—*Scotch*—*Thistle*, White with St. Andrew's Cross.  
Bow, Mr. E. Trill, ..... 9th. 12th.  
No. 2, Mr. A. C. Reddie, ..... 10th. 7th.  
No. 3, Mr. F. G. Davidson, ..... 11th. 10th.  
Stroke, Mr. P. Oswald, ..... 12th. 12th.  
Cox, Mr. J. H. Townsend, ..... 9th. 8th.

Station No. 2.—*Irish*—*Shamrock*, Green and White.  
Bow, Mr. W. Hynes, ..... 12th. 8th.  
No. 2, Mr. W. Murphy, ..... 12th. 7th.  
No. 3, Mr. G. L. King-Harman, ..... 12th. 8th.  
Stroke, Mr. D. C. Travers, ..... 12th. 8th.  
Cox, Mr. W. Dunman, ..... 9th. 7th.

Station No. 3.—*English*—*Nova*, Magenta and Black.  
Bow, Mr. L. B. Friend, ..... 11th. 10th.  
No. 2, Mr. F. W. Gings, ..... 11th. 10th.  
No. 3, Lieut. Coker, R.N., ..... 12th. 10th.  
Stroke, Mr. E. L. Woodin, ..... 12th. 7th.  
Cox, Chinaman, ..... 9th. 10th.

The boats got away well in line, and no advantage was apparently gained by either for the first hundred yards. Here the *English* crew showed to the front and, pulling well within themselves, steadily increased their lead. The *Scotch* and *Irish* kept well together until nearing the Coal sheds, when the *Scots* pulled to the front and secured a good second place, but their efforts to catch the *English* were hopeless, the latter winning easily by 23 seconds.

*English*, 1  
*Scotch*, 2  
Time 10 minutes. (7)

EIGHTH RACE.—For Men-of-War's Boats, any rig. Entrance \$2. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

Station No. 1.—H.M.S. *Victor Emanuel's* 2nd Whaler.  
Station No. 2.—H. M. Dock Yard's Gig. (Post Entries allowed.)

Course:—Starting from abreast Coalsheds at Kowloon, the Yachts will proceed westward, round a mark-boat off Green Island, thence round a mark-boat off S.W. point of Stone-cutter's Island, leaving both on starboard hand; thence round the Pacific Mail Buoy, and finish.

The entries and starters were H. M. S. *Victor Emanuel's* Whaler, Naval Yard Boat, H. M. S. *Kestrel's* Cutter, H. M. S. *Victor Emanuel's* Cutter, H. M. S. *Mosquito's* Boat, H. M. S. *Kestrel's* Gig.

A start was effected at 1.45.40, the boats getting away fairly together. There was a tight run to Green Island between the two *Emanuel's* boats and that from the Naval Yard; and the first round off Green Island was accomplished in the following order:—

*Victor Emanuel's* cutter, h. min. sec.  
do, whaler, 2 18 37  
Naval Yard boat, 2 14 10  
*Mosquito's* do, 2 14 55

A fine neck-and-neck race ensued between the two *Emanuel's*, and their sails almost touched, but after a little, the Whaler sailed away in fine style from the others; and the mark-boat off Stone-cutter's Island was rounded as follows:—

*Victor Emanuel's* whaler, 2 30 48  
Naval Yard boat, 2 32 30  
*Kestrel's* do, 2 33 45  
*Victor Emanuel's* cutter, 2 34 00

The Commodore's Whaler maintained her position well; and the boats arrived home in the following order:—

*V. Emanuel's* Whaler, h. min. sec.  
Naval Yard Boat, 3 45 30  
*Kestrel's* Cutter, 3 48 10  
*V. Emanuel's* Cutter, 3 49 05

NINTH RACE.—For Sailing Ships' Boats only. Entrance \$2. First Prize, \$20; Second, \$10.

Station No. 1.—*Flamingo*, *Amatista* English.  
Station No. 2.—*Daphne*, White with Blue Maltese Cross.

(Post Entries allowed.)  
Course:—Same as above.  
Starters:—*Spartan's* Boat, *Goughly's*, *Victor Emanuel's*, and *Victor Emanuel's* *Daphne* was started by mistake.

The boats got away well together at 1.22.20, and after a fine race, they passed the winning mark as follows:—

*Spartan's* Boat, 3 14 3  
*Goughly's* " 3 19 26  
*Victor Emanuel's* " 3 25 48

YACHT RACE.—For all Yachts. Entrance \$5. Time allowed for Tonnage, 15 seconds per ton. Cup presented by the Victoria Recreation Club.

Course:—Starting from abreast Coalsheds at Kowloon, the Yachts will proceed westward, round a mark-boat off Green Island, thence round a mark-boat off S.W. point of Stone-cutter's Island, leaving both on starboard hand, thence round a mark-boat off the Flagship Malacca, leaving it on port hand; thence round a mark-boat at the head of Regatta Bay, (in direction of the Commercial Dock), leaving it on starboard hand; thence to the mark-boat off the Flagship, leaving it on starboard; twice round, finishing between Flagship and the mark-boat.

Station No. 1.—Mr. Ray's Schooner *Lottery*, 37 tons, Blue and White Barge, Red Star.  
Station No. 2.—Mr. W. H. Forbes's Cutter *Naomi*, 30 tons, Blue and White Triangles.

Station No. 3.—Mr. Dickie's Cutter *Ariel*, 11 tons, Blue, White Anchor.  
Station No. 4.—Mr. McLeod's Cutter *Nauid*, 29 tons, Red, White, Red, Blue Cross.

Station No. 5.—Mr. Beart's Sloop *Ada*, 11 tons, White, Red Maltese Cross, Blue Border.  
Station No. 6.—Mr. W. H. Forbes's Cutter *Waves*, 21 tons, Blue, White Star.

Station No. 7.—Mr. Bremner's Sloop *John Giffin*, 5 tons, Red.

All started; and at the signal to go all the yachts smartly away on their run westward, *Nauid* and the *Nauid* coming rather close quarters amongst the shipping. Considerable interest was felt in this race, as the breeze was moderate and well suited to small as well as larger boats. The *Lottery* (37 tons) joined in the race, as did also the new "five-tonner" *John Giffin*; and the fleet presented a very fine appearance from the Flagship, especially when running before the wind with spinnakers set, "wing-and-wing." They rounded the mark boat off the Flagship, on returning from Stone-cutter's Island on their first round, at—

*Nauid*, 2.45 00  
*Waves*, 2.48 30  
*Nauid*, 2.50 00  
*Ariel*, 2.55 00

Passing the Flagship the second time, before their second reach westward, they were in the following order:—

*Nauid*, 3.42 00  
*Waves*, 3.7 15  
*Nauid*, 3.8 43

Passing the Flagship on their return from Stone-cutter's the second time, they were timed as follows:—

*Nauid*, 4.43.18  
*Nauid*, 4.43.55  
*Waves*, 4.47.00

*Waves* here lost way considerably, as the American barque *Alden Bassie* was being towed past the mark-boat just as the yacht ought to have rounded. Although this could not have made any material alteration in the race, she gave up, and simply cruised round to watch and admire the finish of the two leading boats. As these latter came in towards the Flagship from the N.East-erly end of the course, it was one of the prettiest sights of the meeting. *Nauid* led, but there was apparently little or nothing to spare, and the leader had to give fifteen seconds' allowance for one ton. They arrived home—

*Nauid*, 5.1.38  
*Nauid*, 5.2.28  
Winning by 36 seconds only.

## WONDERS OF THE PRAIRIE MIRAGE.

(New York Evening Post.)

The mirages of the plains are of wondrous beauty. In the Autumn, when all the atmospheric conditions are perfect, strange transformations take place upon the prairie ocean. It is the morning of such a day. Along the eastern horizon a narrow belt of silver light appears. As it grows broader the silver-gray of its lower line changes to gold. Fluffy clouds above the belt take on a yellow red. The grayish shadows of the dawn lift slowly from the earth and imperceptibly float skyward. Just before the red disc of the sun peers above the horizon line weird islands appear in the sky—lands clothed with trees and waving grasses, and held together by threads of yellow and green and azure. I have seen a little village 80 miles away over the plains standing in the sky, every feature traced with the minuteness of a line engraving. I could distinguish the dogs wandering through the streets, the cows standing idly about the yards, and the opening and closing of a door in the cabins. I have seen dog-sledges, whose trains were out of sight below the horizon, trail through the heavens in tortuous course; long lines of cart-trains waiting to end fire over the sand-dunes of the sky. In all these cases, the ground does not appear, only the objects growing upon or past over it. Everything has the appearance of growing or standing in water. The feet of animals, the roots of trees, the foundations of houses, are all lost in an aqueous mist. The ordinary features of the mirage—the simple drawing of distant objects near the spectator—are of common and, in many places, of everyday occurrence at some seasons of the year. A few rods away on every side a slight line of grayish mist, exactly resembling that rising from lake or stream in early morning, appears, and upon its surface is lined the whole landscape, changing constantly, like the colors of a kaleidoscope, as the traveler advances. The illusion continues but a few minutes, however. The gold fades from the fleecy clouds overhead as the yellow light descends upon the plain, chasing the ascending shades before it. The sun rises and the dissolving views of the mirage fade slowly away.

PROFESSOR J. A. Wanklyn, of St. George's Hospital, London, announces his belief that carbolic acid is wholly inefficient as a general disinfectant. There is great difference of opinion among sanitary authorities on this question, however; but

as he truly says, there can be none as to the danger which attends the popular use of carbolic acid for disinfecting purposes. It is so frequently mistaken for something else that Professor Wanklyn thinks more persons have been poisoned of late years by carbolic acid than by any other single poison. It was recently administered to forty East Indian soldiers at Malta, under the impression that it was lime juice, but fortunately not in sufficient quantity to be fatal. Its caustic properties are another source of danger. Dr. Urban Pritchard, of King's College Hospital, relates a case in his own practice, of an infant who merely fell into a pool of the ordinary solution of carbolic acid which had been accidentally spilled on the floor. The child was so severely burned that it died in a few hours.

SAMUEL SMILES, the biographer of the Engineers, has in the press his new contribution to the literature of the pursuit of knowledge under difficulties—a life of a "Thames baker," one Dick, who worked at geology in the intervals of business, like Hugh Miller of famous memory. His biographer was called away from his labour of love to the not very congenial task of "doing to order" the life of George Moore, the religious and philanthropic warehouseman and millionaire. His life of the geological baker will be published by John Murray in November. The obituary of the week includes the names of two members of the profession whose biographies Smiles has illustrated,—George Bidder and John Penn. Bidder, though a good railway engineer, and once a right-hand man of Robert Stephenson's, is chiefly notable as the wonderful "calculating boy" of sixty or seventy years ago. Penn, like Bidder, was at his death a septuagenarian. He had been great in the construction of marine steam engines. He built those of the *Nyctalus*, with 8,600 indicated horse power, the greatest yet achieved.

## Quotations.

HONGKONG, December 23, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, \$560.

" Old Patna, cash, —

" New Benares, cash, 520

" Old Benares, cash, —

" New Malwa, cash, 720

" Allowance Teels, 32



## To Let.

## TO BE LET.

THE HOUSE at the Western end of the ALBANY.  
For Particulars, apply to Messrs LINSTED & Co.  
Hongkong, December 19, 1878. de26

## WANTED.

POSSESSION 15TH JANUARY NEXT,  
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A HOUSE of 4-6 ROOMS.  
Apply to  
A. B. C.,  
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Hongkong, December 18, 1878.

## TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East.—  
No. 2, THE FIRST FLOOR, with immediate possession.  
No. 5, THE FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT, either separately or together, with immediate possession.

Also,  
SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

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FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also,  
A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

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MEYER & Co.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

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THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers.  
Apply to  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, November 28, 1878.

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TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

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Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

## For Sale.

## NOTICE.

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IN QUANTITIES TO SUIT PURCHASERS.  
Apply at the GAS WORKS, West Point.  
A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, November 5, 1878. jal

## WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)

WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.  
CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

## Notices of Firms.

## NOTICE.

I have this Day RESUMED my BUSINESS as MARINE SURVEYOR at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS,  
Surveyor to Local Insurance Offices and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Club Chambers,  
Hongkong, December 21, 1878. fel

## NOTICE.

THE Underigned being about to CLOSE his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or by him, he will Collect and Pay.  
The Interest and Good will of his Business has been transferred to Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

E. VINCENT.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

## NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have this Day Established a BRANCH of their Firm at Swatow, and have authorized Mr G. D. PITMAN to Sign per Procuration.  
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.  
Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

## NOTICE.

I HAVE this Day established myself as GENERAL and SHARE BROKER.  
CARL DENKEKE.  
Office, Bank Buildings,  
Hongkong, December 5, 1878.

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Underigned in the Chinese Mail, 德字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), ceased from the 1st August, 1877, but debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHON AYIN.  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Underigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr LEONG YOOK CHU, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new régime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,  
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail,  
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

## Mails.

## NOTICE.

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STEAM FOR  
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,  
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,  
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SAID, NAPLES, AND  
MARSEILLES;  
Also,  
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AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON SATURDAY, the 28th December, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *PELHO*, Commandant PASQUALINI, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.  
Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 27th December, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)  
Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

L. HENNEQUIN,  
Acting Agent.  
Hongkong, December 14, 1878. de28

## Occidental &amp; Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE.

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Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 30th December. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full, value of same is required.

A Reduction is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.  
For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.  
G. B. EMORY, Agent.  
Hongkong, December 6, 1878. de31

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China Mail Office,  
Hongkong, November 9, 1878.

## SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, Books, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1878.

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THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Underigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

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Agents, Royal Insurance Company,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

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NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
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Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Underigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

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Proposals for Life Insurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
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Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

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Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

## NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,  
General Agent,  
pro tem.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

of

His Majesty King George The First,

A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows—  
Marine Department.  
Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

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Hongkong, July 25, 1873.

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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

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MELCHERS & Co.,  
Agents, Royal Insurance Company,  
Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.  
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.  
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.  
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.  
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

Section.  
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.  
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.  
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.  
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Class.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Agave	k d	Stewart	Brit.	str.	848	Dec. 13	Linthead & Co.	Takow & Yokohama 27th inst.
Argyll	5	c Scott	Brit.	str.	1271	Dec. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama & Higo Oos'tan Dock
Bombay	5	c Scott	Brit.	str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	Shanghai K'loon Dock
Burmese	6	c Luck	Brit.	str.	1268	Dec. 22	Melchers & Co.	Saloon 3rd inst.
Chinkiang	2	c Orr	Brit.	str.	799	Dec. 21	Stemmen & Co.	Bangkok 25th daylight
Clive	2	c Prowse	Brit.	str.	810	Dec. 8	Ah Yon	Manila 3rd inst.
Dale	3	c Thompson	Brit.	str.	654	Dec. 17	Tsun Fat Hong	To-morrow 25th daylight
Diamante	5	c Thebaud	Brit.	str.	519	Dec. 22	Russell & Co.	Coast Ports 31st inst.
Douglas	5	c Young	Brit.	str.	864	Dec. 22	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Yokohama & Higo Tug Plying
Fane	6	c Stapan	Brit.	str.	117	Dec. 21	H. K. & Wpos Dock Co.	Yokohama & Higo 27th inst.
Gaelic	3	c Kidley	Brit.	str.	1712	Dec. 17	O. & O. S. Co.	Yokohama & Higo 27th inst.
Glengyle	3	c Quarley	Brit.	str.	1265	Dec. 20	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Yokohama & Higo 27th inst.
Hakon Adelsen	3	c Smith	Norw.	str.	1004	Nov. 28	Hop Kee	S'pore and Penang 27th inst.
Malacca	3	c Smith	Norw.	str.	1846	Dec. 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama 27th inst.
Norma	3	c Smith	Norw.	str.	806	June 28	Kwok Acheong	Yokohama 27th inst.
Olympia	2	c Nagel	Ger.	str.	783	Dec. 15	Stemmen & Co.	Saloon 28th inst.
Petrolina	3	c White	Brit.	str.	1650	Dec. 20	Butterfield & Swire	London, & Saloon 27th inst.
Penado	3	c Cain	Brit.	str.	682	Dec. 19	Melchers & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Perusia	3	c McKirdy	Belg.	str.	2297	Dec. 17	Order	Saloon 27th inst.
Ses Gull	1	c Roberts	Amer.	str.	49	July 18	W. H. Ray	Saloon 27th inst.
Somerses	3	c Pockley	Brit.	str.	1100	Dec. 11	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Stentor	3	c Kirkpatrick	Brit.	str.	1804	Dec. 22	Butterfield & Swire	Saloon 27th inst.
Thales	3	c Poock	Brit.	str.	826	Dec. 17	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Yongtung	3	c Goggin	Brit.	str.	286	Dec. 20	Kwok Acheong	Saloon 27th inst.
Yungching	3	c Wallace	Chil.	str.	786	Dec. 28	C. M. S. N. Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Zamboanga	3	c Arranguren	Span.	str.	615	Dec. 12	Geo. K. Stevens & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Sailing Vessels								
Agate	3	c Pike	Amer.	bgs.	620	Dec. 20	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Alden Besse	2	c Noyes	Amer.	bgs.	850	Dec. 17	Rosario & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Alma	7	c Ohlsson	Swed.	bgs.	632	Nov. 20	Meyer & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Alva	2	c Souza	Port.	sh.	631	Nov. 8	Brandao & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Amy Turner	2	c Newell	Amer.	bgs.	455	Nov. 29	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Annie S. Hall	5	c Nelson	Amer.	bgs.	399	Nov. 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Aristide	3	c Labayo	Span.	bgs.	491	Dec. 6	Master	Saloon 27th inst.
Black Watch	3	c Kennish	Brit.	bgs.	888	Nov. 20	Ohlsson	Saloon 27th inst.
Bua Coo	1	c Lange	Span.	bgs.	307	Dec. 8	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Capella	3	c Anderson	Swed.	bgs.	388	Nov. 13	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Cassiopeia	3	c Fishwick	Brit.	bgs.	258	Nov. 22	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Charité	2	c Gautiere	Foh.	bgs.	304	Nov. 14	Borneo Co., Limited	Saloon 27th inst.
Chengtoo	1	c Bakis	Brit.	bgs.	173	Dec. 2	J. J. dos Remedios & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Christina	3	c Caspa	Nie. S. M. S.	bgs.	836	Dec. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Cingalee	1	c Le Couer	Brit.	bgs.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	Saloon 27th inst.
Cocoon	3	c Hall	Amer.	bgs.	858	Nov. 15	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Coloma	3	c Hall	Amer.	bgs.	858	Nov. 15	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Commissary	7	c Morison	Brit.	sh.	800	Oct. 23	Meyer & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Concor	2	c Steffens	Ger.	bgs.	868	Nov. 22	Stemmen & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Cordouan	3	c Murphy	Brit.	sh.	1168	Dec. 8	Melchers & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Cordouan	2	c Bertrand	Foh.	bgs.	459	Nov. 10	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Craig Ard.	3	c Hawkins	Brit.	bgs.	811	Nov. 27	Olyphant & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Crossader	4	c Ingram	Amer.	bgs.	669	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Saloon 27th inst.
Dartmouth	7	c Robertson	Brit.	bgs.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Davina	1	c Scott	Brit.	bgs.	426	Dec. 20	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Don Quixote	3	c King	Amer.	sh.	1128	Sept. 24	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Elizabeth Childs	4	c Lindbergh	Brit.	bgs.	38	Nov. 1	W. H. Ray	Saloon 27th inst.
Elizabeth Nicholson	3	c Grierson	Brit.	sh.	904	Oct. 17	Borneo Co., Limited	Saloon 27th inst.
Emilio V.	2	c Merello	Ital.	bgs.	724	Nov. 30	Rosario & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Eperance	4	c Guillon	Foh.	bgs.	272	Dec. 2	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fanny	4	c Gougon	Foh.	bgs.	614	Nov. 8	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fangh Balangi	3	c Kille	Ger.	bgs.	440	Nov. 2	Landstein & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fleetwing	3	c Gues	Amer.	sh.	839	Oct. 17	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fleischberg	3	c Jacobson	Den.	bgs.	865	Nov. 10	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Florence Nightingale	3	c McLintyre	Brit.	bgs.	464	Dec. 22	Edward Schellhase & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fountain	4	c Taylor	Brit.	bgs.	635	Dec. 2	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Fountain	2	c Vandervoort	Brit.	bgs.	744	Dec. 17	Rosario & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Friedrich	3	c Bertelsen	Ger. S. M. S.	bgs.	293	Nov. 24	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Friedrich	2	c Dav	Ger.	bgs.	594	Dec. 15	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Gesine Brouns	4	c Trumbach	Ger.	bgs.	402	Oct. 21	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Hail Columns	3	c Breteron	Amer.	sh.	883	Nov. 19	Edward Schellhase & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Hamburg	4	c Kroge	Ger.	bgs.	349	Nov. 29	Edward Schellhase & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Hanza	3	c Deneken	Ger.	bgs.	498	Nov. 12	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Hattie N. Bangs	3	c Bangs	Amer. S. M. S.	bgs.	566	Dec. 1	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Hawthorn	3	c Mead	Brit.	bgs.	296	Dec. 2	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Helene	4	c Volguardsen	Ger.	bgs.	372	Nov. 28	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Highlander	4	c Hutchinson	Amer.	sh.	1382	June 19	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Holstein	4	c Kilper	Ger. S. M. S.	bgs.	281	Nov. 19	Edward Schellhase & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Hotspur	4	c Shaw	Brit.	bgs.	522	Sept. 6	Rosario & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Invincible	6	c Strickland	Amer.	sh.	1480	Dec. 6	Meyer & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
J. H. Ingersoll	7	c Daw	Amer.	bgs.	609	Nov. 24	Butterfield & Swire	Saloon 27th inst.
Johann Friedrich	7	c Krinke	Ger.	bgs.	242	Nov. 24	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Kvik	7	c Larsen	Norw.	bgs.	417	Dec. 14	Meyer & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Laura R. Burnham	2	c Phillips	Amer. S. M. S.	bgs.	245	Oct. 17	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Louisa	3	c Stierlich	Ger. S. M. S.	bgs.	379	Nov. 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Lulu	3	c Maher	Brit. S. M. S.	bgs.	648	Dec. 20	Rosario & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Maid of Judah	3	c Gonner	Brit.	bgs.	511	Nov. 20	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Maid of Judah	3	c Breckwold	Amer.	bgs.	358	Nov. 29	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Marce Polo	3	c Davies	Amer.	sh.	1165	Nov. 19	Meyer & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Matohase	7	c Plummer	Amer.	sh.	994	Sept. 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Melrose	3	c Thomas	Brit. S. M. S.	bgs.	361	Dec. 1	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Mercury	3	c Lealle	Brit.	sh.	1108	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Min-y-don	7	c Biset	Brit.	bgs.	621	Aug. 1	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Moneta	3	c Michaelson	Slam.	bgs.	570	Dec. 10	Ohlsson	Saloon 27th inst.
Morning Star	1	c Bryde	Brit.	bgs.	1200	Nov. 18	Message Maritimes	Saloon 27th inst.
Napier	2	c Paul	Brit.	bgs.	379	Nov. 18	Ohlsson	Saloon 27th inst.
Nardoo	2	c Stullen	Ger.	sch.	167	Oct. 22	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Nicolas	2	c Thuro	Ger.	bgs.	846	Dec. 22	Stemmen & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Paradise	2	c Passo	Foh.	bgs.	342	Nov. 28	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Paralos	3	c Scheel	Brit.	bgs.	576	Dec. 11	Ohlsson	Saloon 27th inst.
Phaeton	3	c Willis	Brit.	bgs.	296	Dec. 18	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Prince Arthur	3	c Brown	Amer.	bgs.	611	Dec. 10	Stemmen & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Rosetta McNeil	3	c Lamcken	Ger.	sch.	294	Dec. 10	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
San Francisco	3	c Oakes	Amer.	bgs.	607	Dec. 23	W. H. Ray	Saloon 27th inst.
S. R. Bearce	3	c Vincent	Amer.	sch.	1169	Sept. 17	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Spartan	3	c Miller	Brit.	bgs.	500	Dec. 21	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Stracathro	3	c Hensworth	Brit.	bgs.	500	Dec. 21	Captain	Saloon 27th inst.
Strathmore	3	c Clough	Amer.	sh.	1090	Sept. 8	Russell & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Sumatra	3	c Jensen	Ger.	bgs.	873	Nov. 22	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Taiwan	3	c Turklen	Brit.	bgs.	717	Nov. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
The Coolwa	3	c Garceau	Foh.	bgs.	383	Nov. 16	Carlowitz & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Theresa & Nelly	3	c Sachau	Ger.	bgs.	486	Oct. 11	Wieler & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Verona	3	c Bartlett	Brit.	bgs.	688	Oct. 24	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Verona	4	c Dirks	Ger.	bgs.	808	Oct. 2	Melchers & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Yesta	2	c Boltz	Ger.	bgs.	512	Dec. 15	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
Wilhelm Hameyer	2	c Boltz	Ger.	bgs.	512	Dec. 15	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Saloon 27th inst.
CANTON								
Yankee	3	c Schultze	Brit.	str.	762	Dec. 23	Stemmen & Co.	Shanghai